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SUBJECT: SPIEGEL/GARLAND (EUR/CAN) TELECON 7/6/78

1. AT CONCLUSION OF MARITIME TALKS HELD JULY 4-6 IN BRUSSELS, US AND CANADIAN NEGOTIATORS AGREED TO RELEASE OF JOINT STATEMENT IN PARA 2 ON JULY 7 IN OTTAWA AND WASHINGTON. ACCORDINGLY IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF DEPARTMENT COULD RELEASE STATEMENT AT MID-DAY PRESS BRIEFING JULY 7. PARA 3 CONTAINS CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE TO RESPOND TO QUESTION IF ASKED.

2. BEGIN TEXT OF PRESS RELEASE. THE SPECIAL NEGOTIATORS FOR MARITIME BOUNDARIES AND RELATED RESOURCE ISSUES - MARCEL CADIEUX FOR CANADA AND LLOYD N. CUTLER FOR THE UNITED STATES - AND OFFICIALS OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS MET FROM JULY 4 TO 6 IN BRUSSELS, WHERE AMBASSADOR CADIEUX IS SERVING AS CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES. PROGRESS WAS ACHIEVED ON ELEMENTS OF A LONG TERM AGREEMENT AND ON ISSUES RELATED TO THE RESUMPTION OF RECIPROCAL FISHING.

- THE TWO NEGOTIATORS ARE REPORTING TO THEIR RESPECTIVE
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GOVERNMENTS, AND CONSULTATIONS ARE BEING HELD WITH THE REGIONAL AND PROVINCIAL AUTHORITIES AND INTERESTED GROUPS IN EACH COUNTRY. OFFICIALS OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS WILL HOLD FURTHER MEETINGS DURING JULY. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE SPECIAL NEGOTIATORS WILL BE HELD DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF AUGUST. END TEXT.

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3. BEGIN TEXT OF CONTINGENCY PRESS GUIDANCE (IF ASKED).
Q. WHEN WILL RECIPROCAL FISHING BE RESUMED?
A. SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS WAS MADE AT THE JULY 4-6 MEETING TOWARDS RESUMPTION OF RECIPROCAL FISHING. WE ARE PROCEEDING WITH DOMESTIC CONSULTATIONS ON THE ISSUES DISCUSSED WITH CANADA. WE HOPE THAT WHEN THIS PROCESS OF CONSULTATIONS IS COMPLETED, WE WILL BE able TO AGREE TO RESTORATION.

- YOU WILL RECALL THAT ALTHOUGH CANADA INTERRUPTED RECIPROCAL FISHING, THE US COMPLETED RATIFICATION OF THE 1978 INTERIM FISHERIES AGREEMENT. THIS LEGISLATION GIVES US THE AUTHORITY TO PERMIT RECIPROCAL FISHING AS SOON AS WE AGREE WITH CANADA TO DO SO. END TEXT.
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